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Changes

1. 12 FAM 645.6 was updated to establish policy on facsimile (fax) gateways and fax servers.
2. **Change Transmittal** has replaced the term, Transmittal Letter. Change Transmittal was selected as being more appropriate in this age of electronic information transmission. The FAM volume's Change Transmittal acronym and numerical series remains in place.
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